

**INDIANA ARTS COMMISSION  
COMMITTEE ON THE FUTURE (TELECONFERENCE)**

August 30, 2011

IAC Office, 100 N. Senate Avenue, Room N505  
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

Jeff Kirk, Chair

Minutes

Members present via teleconference: Gil Cárdenas, Donna Catalano (RAP Consortium Chair), Karen Ellerbrook, Linda Goad, Jeff Kirk, Trevor Yager

Members absent: Dick Stifel

IAC staff present: Lewis Ricci, Dennis Hardin

1. **Welcome and Introductions.** Commissioner Jeff Kirk called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m. and asked for a roll call.
2. **Consent agenda.** Lacking a quorum present, no action was taken.
3. **FY 2011 Year-end Financials.** IAC Executive Director Lewis Ricci presented a handout (attached) showing the final FY 2011 IAC budget. Commissioner Trevor Yager asked about the amount carried over from FY 2010, specifically if these funds were vulnerable to being withheld from the FY 2012 budget. Mr. Ricci answered that, in large part, the amount shown to be carried over consists of granted federal funds, which operate in a different fiscal cycle than the state fiscal year.
4. **FY 2012 Year-to-Date Budget.** Mr. Ricci presented a handout (attached) showing the current FY 2012 IAC budget, through August 17, 2011.
5. **Update on Plans for Strategic Plan Rollout Retreats.** Mr. Ricci reported to the committee on plans to host two meetings, on October 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup>, to discuss and plan strategies for implementation of the IAC Strategic Plan 2012 – 2016. The October 27<sup>th</sup> meeting will include all of the IAC's current Regional Arts Partners, and the October 28<sup>th</sup> meeting will include a broader group of organizations which have partnered with IAC in recent or current endeavors. The meetings, to be held at the Monon Cultural Center in Carmel, will be facilitated by staff from the Pennsylvania Arts Council.
6. **Update on New Metrics for IAC.** Mr. Ricci explained that the State Budget Agency requires tracking of a certain set of metrics by all state agencies, such as numbers of citizens directly or indirectly benefitting from programs, the number of counties being reached, and amounts of funding. It may be helpful in the future to track more detailed information, but the specific metrics have not been determined.

**7. Update on National Endowment for the Arts 3-Year Partnership Grant.** Mr. Ricci reported that IAC's application for federal funding from the NEA is being drafted, and will be sent to the NEA prior to the September 29<sup>th</sup> deadline. A final draft of the application will be presented to the full Commission at its next business meeting on September 15<sup>th</sup>. He will provide the draft to the members of this committee for their review prior to the meeting of the full Commission.

**8. Old Business.** Mr. Ricci reminded the committee that it had recently decided to review the application and selection process for the Cultural Districts program, as it relates to aspects of the new strategic plan. He recommended that the committee take up the discussion sometime after the upcoming Building Better Communities colloquium, in order to have more specific input regarding community needs. The colloquium will be held on October 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> at the Monon Center in Carmel. Mr. Kirk asked whether the Program Evaluation Committee should become involved in the early discussions, and Mr. Yager, who is chair of the PEC, suggested that a joint meeting of both committees would be helpful to chart the course of the program.

**9. New Business.** Commissioner Karen Ellerbrook announced that a second Foundation & Business Roundtable is being scheduled for October 18 in Indianapolis, and that invitations will be going out soon to participants. Mr. Ricci announced plans for a Commissioner Emeritus reunion, being planned for December 9<sup>th</sup>, and coinciding with the winter IAC quarterly business meeting. IAC Commissioner Jeanne Mirro is in the process of contacting former Commissioners about the event.

**10. Adjourn.** Mr. Kirk thanked everyone for their participation and closed the meeting at 10:50 a.m.